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Rep. Sanfelippo (R – West Allis) released the following statement:

“Milwaukee county residents have been asking for a referendum from their county government for some time. This fact has been proven by an advisory referendum that gave overwhelming support for my position. During my time on the county board I tried time and again to enact change from within only to be rebuffed by members of the board who didn’t want to cut their own pay. I have promised to bring reform to the board and that remains my focus.

The only thing that has changed is that the Milwaukee County Board realizes they can no longer ignore the will of the people they were elected to serve. Having come to that understanding, the board is finally willing to discuss making necessary changes and I welcome their input into shaping my proposed legislation. This, however, should not be construed as any sort of “pull back” as was asserted by Rep. Pasch last week. I remain committed to meaningful reform in Milwaukee County, a place I call home.

Reform is absolutely needed in Milwaukee County governance and the people will have their voices heard after a decade of being ignored.”